

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN RE:

GRAND JURY PROCEEDINGS

Grand Jury Room No. 2
United States District Court
for the District of Columbia
3rd & Constitution, N.W.
Washington, D.C.

Tuesday, July 28, 1998

The testimony of REGINALD HIGHTOWER was taken in
the presence of a full quorum of Grand Jury 97-5, Impaneled
on December 5, 1997 commencing at 9:09 a.m. before:

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PROCEEDINGS

1 Whereupon,

2 REGINALD HIGHTOWER

3 was called as a witness and, having been first duly sworn by
4 the Foreperson of the Grand Jury, was examined and testified
5 as follows:

EXAMINATION

6 BY MR. SUSANIN:

7 Q Good morning, sir.

8 A Good morning.

9 Q Would you please state your full name and spell
10 your last name for the record?

11 A My name is Reginald Hightower. R-e-g-i-n-a-l-d
12 Hightower, H-i-g-h-t-o-w-e-r.

13 MR. SUSANIN: Mr. Hightower, we briefly met a
14 moment ago, but let me reintroduce myself while we're on the
15 record. And, incidentally, I'll ask the foreperson if there
16 is a quorum.

17 THE FOREPERSON: There is a quorum.

18 MR. SUSANIN: And whether there are any
19 unauthorized in the room?

20 THE FOREPERSON: No, there are no unauthorized
21 people.

22 MR. SUSANIN: Okay. Thank you, ma'am.

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1 BY MR. SUSANIN:

2 Q Sir, again, my name is Timothy Susanin. I'm an
3 associate independent counsel. I want to let you know who
4 else is in the room.

5 Across from me is the court reporter. To my left
6 is the foreperson of the grand jury. At the far end of the
7 table are other members of the grand jury. And everyone
8 sitting out in the chairs are also ladies and gentlemen of
9 the grand jury.

10 A Yes.

11 Q As you know, I'm going to be asking you some
12 questions before the grand jury this morning; and I want to
13 take a moment or two to let you know about some rights and
14 obligations you have before this grand jury. Do you
15 understand, sir?

16 A Yes, I do.

17 Q Before we get started, I'm going to ask that you
18 try to elevate your voice as loudly as possible, so the
19 individuals in the back can hear you.

20 A Okay.

21 Q I know it's going to be tough. At times, you might
22 feel like you're shouting at us. But we're going to ask you
23 to do that, so everyone can hear you loudly and clearly.

24 Let me tell you, before we begin, you have the
25 right to counsel, sir. You don't have the right to have an